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March 31, 2023

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Affordable Housing for Victims of Abuse in Rhode Island Project in Fiscal Year 2024.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Sojourner House, located at 386 Smith Street, Providence, RI 02908.

The funding would be used to acquire and rehabilitate a residential property to create 3 to 6 new affordable housing units. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will remove a barrier many abuse victims face, which is access to safe and affordable housing. Approximately 95% of Sojourner House clients are low-to-moderate income and the organization's support services provide as a pathway to economic and emotional well-being for survivors of abuse. The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

David N. Cicilline

Member of Congress

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